

SENATE BILL 1923

By Walley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 57,
relative to local option elections for alcohol sales.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-3-101(a)(14), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead:

(14) "Municipality" means an incorporated town or city that maintains a police department or enters an interlocal agreement with another political subdivision for the provision of law enforcement during the hours of sale of alcoholic beverages in the municipality;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-3-106, is amended by deleting subdivision (b)(1) and substituting instead:

The voters of a municipality in this state that has been incorporated under a general or special law for five (5) years or longer may, by local option election, permit the manufacture, receipt, sale, storage, transportation, distribution, and possession of alcoholic beverages within the territorial limits of such municipality by a majority vote, at an election held as hereinafter provided. If approved in the referendum, the manufacture, receipt, sale, storage, transportation, distribution, and possession of alcoholic beverages in the municipality is lawful, notwithstanding the fact that the county or any portion thereof in which such municipality is located has, or has not, voted to the contrary under any other provision of this chapter, and the same shall continue to be lawful until the same is forbidden by the voters of such municipality, by majority vote thereof, at a local option election held as hereinafter provided.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-3-106, is amended by deleting subsections (i)-(k).

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-4-103, is amended by deleting subdivisions (a)(6)-(a)(9).

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-3-801(a)(3), is amended by deleting the subdivision.

SECTION 6. This act takes effect July 1, 2022, the public welfare requiring it.